### **BROKEN IN HEALTH** AND IN SPIRITS

FLETCHER CHILDRESS RE PENTANT OF LIFE LED.

Lays Blame for His Confinement in Prison to Whisky. Paroled by Governor.

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Broken in health from ravages of suburculosis and in spirit from his long confinement behind the grim walls of the state penitentiary. Fletcher Childress, who was Saturday paroled by the pardoning board, has returned home. The first thing Childress did upon arriving here was visit his attorney. Gen. George W. Chamiee, who so ably defended him when he was tried for the murder of lithert McKissick. The murder had the appearance of being a deliberately planned one, but Childress' counsel succeeded in getting him down with a sentence for second degree murder. He was paroled on account of his health, which is in a very bad state,

Yesterday, in talking with en. Chamlee, Childress was deep repentant for the life he had led and stated he would in the future, if his health permitted, make every atonement for the transgressions of his past. The young man, for Childress is yet in the twenty's, lays the crime which led him to the penitentiary, at the door of whisky. He emphatically stated that he was glad the time had come in Tennessee and many other states when the terrible liquor traffic was almost a thing of the past, Childress attributes the confinement of two-thirds of the convicts in the state penitentiary to liquor.

As soon as his health permits Chil-

As soon as his health permits Chil-dress will secure employment and says he will make good and give his fam-ily and friends a reason to be proud of him for the "come back" he expects to make. Childress comes of a good south Chattanooga family and his mother and sisters and other relatives have never once deserted him or given up their efforts to have their boy freed.

#### COMMITS SUICIDE

Chattanoons Boy Kills Himself in Nashylle—Leaves Note to Father
Dear Father:—Here is my farewell
message. I am going to meet my dear
mother, who you know is in heaven.
Don't blame these people: they have
been my friends. I am tired of this
fife, so I am just jumping off. Your
son, Hughie."

This note, addressed to W. P. Duff.
of Chattanoon, was found on the person of William Hughie Duff, who committed suicide in Nashville Monday
afternoon by firing a bullet from a .38
caliber revolver through his brain.
Death was instantaneous. The young
men appeared to have been grieving
over the death of his mother, which oc-

#### LEGATEES RENOUNCE RIGHTS UNDER MILLIONAIRE'S WILL

Robert J. Collier's Wife Will Inherit Large Estate By Generous Act of Friends.

Generous Act of Friends.

New York, Dec. 17.—The action of the legatees and executors of the \$5,000,000 estate of the late Robert J. Collier, publisher and editor, in renouncing their rights to the estate in favor of Mrs. Collier, who was omitted as a legatee in the millionaire's will, was received with great interest in legal circles today.

The renunciations, which created a precedent in the surrogate court here, were signed by Collier's three friends. Payne Whitney, Finley Peter Dunne and Francis P. Garvan, who were left the bulk of the Collier, made public when the millionaire publisher's will was offered for probate, the three legatees and executors stated 1914.

my heart to do this. I cannot go away. If there was only one faith-ful battalion still here I would re-main at Spa." In the train one heard sobs as the tidings followed one an-

other, among others a report that the bilsheviki were at Herbesthal.

The retreating troops and their lines of communication also pressed back

on Spa. Still the kaiser was unwilling to leave, but approved of preparations for possible departure being made. He said: "At other times I always have known what to do, but now I cannot save myself."

An Hour May Be Too Late. At 10 o'clock Minister Hinize and

a representative of the foreign office again urged his departure, saying,

"Your majesty, it may be too late in an hour's time."

#### "I AM SO COWARDLY ASHAMED," SAID WILHELM, WHEN URGED TO FLEE

(London Times-Phil. Ledger Cop. Cable.)
London, Dec. 17.—The day the kaiser fied some one in the kaiser's entourage communicated the following kaiser said to him: "Tell the sol-diers it is untrue I have abdicated as king of Prussia, I will not abdi-cate as king of Prussia."

to the Politischer Tages-Dienst: The kaiser said Nov. 3> "I do not think of abdicating. As the supreme war lord I must stick to my post, for I see something worse than bok-shevism breaking over Germany if I go. A strong hand is necessary to preserve Germany from disaster. Moreover, I will willingly work with the new government." tant, you no longer have any supreme war lord." After this he went up into the study. The same evening several gentlemen urged, him to go to Holland. The kaiser was unwilling and said, "They want me to fice. I will not." Going to the train the kaiser said, "I am so cowardly ashamed. I cannot find it in my heart to do this. I cannot go away. If there was only one faith-

On Nov. 9 there were long discussions. Hindenburg was one of the first to reach Fraincuse, the country seat co-reach Fraineuse, the country seat occupied by the kaiser at Spa. Hindenburg had already had a thor-ough discussion with fifty head of-ficers of the various armies, each of which was obliged to send five or six representatives to main head-quarters. Each of these officers expressed a view in writing concerning the fidelity of the troops. Hindenburg transmitted to Fraineuso
the opinion, which was almost unanimous, that the troops could be relied upon to fight the enemy, but
would never fight their comrades.

In the meanwhile the kaiser's abdication was constantly urged by telephone from Berlin. Consequently, in the precisely-worded answer sent to Berlin, the kaiser abdicated over the death of his mother, which occurred two months ago.
The body will arrive in Chattanooga
Tuesday afternoon on the Dixie Flyer
I distore a removed to O'Donohue's
chapel, from whence funeral services,
conducted by Dr. W. S. Keese, will be
ledd Wednesdry morning at 9. The
body will be sent at 10:45 Wednesday
morning to Athens for burial.

sent to Berlin, the kaiser abdicated
as the German kaiser, but not as
king of Prussia. When this answer
was sent at 2 o'clock the telephonic
report arrived from Berlin, "Too
late: we have already published its
abdication." The crown prince arrived at Spa at midday and left at
3 in the afternoon. As he left the

A cablegram to the International News Service late in November reported that Von Mackensen had arrived in Berlin and that his sword was taken away from him at the rallway station by revolutionary troops upon orders from the revolutionary committee. complications are resulting between Von Mackensen and the Hungarian government after the signing of the armistice, when the German commander attempted to march his army across Hungary. his army across Hungary.

ser from personal maltreatment, which was feared on account of the strength of reports arriving from various towns. With a heavy heart the kaiser then decided to leave. The Would Have Stayed at Spa if One Battalion Had Remained Faithful.

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"Later Hindenburg arrived. Then Groener Hintze and Admiral Scheer. It was put into the kalser's mouth to abdicate as king of Prussia also. When he subsequently left the audicate chamber in the ville he and the army had left him in the lurge. abdicate as king of Prussia also. When he subsequently left the audience chamber in the villa he said to Count Dohna Schlodion: "Adjutant, you no longer have any sutant, you not have any sutant, you not have a longer have a lo

GEN. VON MACKENSEN HAS BEEN INTERNED

London, Dec. 17.—Field Mar-shal Von Mackensen, former commander of the German army in Rumania, has been in-terned on the demand of the allies, according to an Ex-change Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen this after-noon.

A cablegram to the Interna-

#### **GERMANS HAPPY**

When Armistice Was Signed, Writes George Meacham.

Mrs. R. C. Meacham, of 1712 Peachtree street, Ridgodale, has received a letter from her son, Private George Meacham, in which he gave an interesting account of some of the ineidents which followed the signing of the armistice. He said the Germans sent over shells and gas up to the Tast minute, and on the night of the day the armistice was signed, sent up red, white and blue rockets. "It looked like a Fourth of July celebration at Warner park." he wrote, He explained that the Germans were a happy bunch of men. William Meacham, a brother of Private Meacham, who was gassed some time ago, and has been in a hospital in England, is expected home soon.

#### REPORTS FOR DUTY

Capt. A. C. Price, of Chicago, Comes to Greenleaf.

Capt. A. C. Price, formerly professor of anatomy at the P. S. college of Chicago, has reported for duty at Camp Greenleaf, where he is stationed after a ten days' furlough.

#### CAMP FORREST QUARTERMASTER'S DETACHMENT PERSONALS

Something About Those Going Back to Civil Life and a Word for the Ladies.

Private William Kelley has received final discharge and left Saturday for Fort Gaines, Ga., where he is numbered among the most useful, influential and progressive citizens of that thriving city. Prior to entering the service he was engaged in newspaper work and will no doubt take up the pen where he left off and continue the good work of pushing his community and state forward.

Many friends will miss big, joytal and good natured Frank Heinz. He has been termed more useful at home than in the quartermaster's corps; hence. Saturday, he lined up for final examination and received his "luge saiary" as well as transportation to Allentown, Pa. Mr. Heing is the owner of a large mercantile establishment in that city and his loyaity has been a financial sacrifice to him. The property office has just been enjerged in proved tireless workers and have he-including the colleges workers and have he-including the colleges workers and have he-including taken over many responsibilities during the war. There are too many of these to attempt listing, but among them are Mrs. S. M. Loop, Mrs. Johnson, Dan and many others.

BUST IS TOO HEAVY

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mat city and his loyalty has been a financial sacrifice to him. The property office has just been enlarged in order to make more elbow room on account of his having a desk there, occupying much, space. The notice of his release came too late to step the carpenters; hence there is now a surplus of room in that department of the service at this department of the service at this department. service at this depot.

Sergt. Amos Stack is now "Mr. Stack" and by this time is occupying a post as cotton inspector in Monroe. a post as cotton inspector in Monroe, N. C. The genial sergeant will be missed by many friends, not only in the detachment, but also in Chattaneoga. His father is a large manufacturer of cotton goods in Monroe, and his son is also a number of the firm.

Top Sergt. Parkerson has thrown down his insigna of office after quite a number of months of loyal and pa-triotic service. He again resumes civil prior to his enlistment. His promotion has been steady, giving attestation of his worth as a soldier and as a man. His many friends and acquaintences will miss him.

will miss him.

Private J. J. Hale left Saturday for Summitt, Ga., Uncle Sam having decided during the week he was too useful a civilian to hold in the army after peace and quietude have appeared on the scene of action. Private Hale has an nyight precord in both the trees.

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County Judge Sam A. Conner is in a quandary regarding the magnificent bust of Gen. A. P. Stewart which the last county court authorized placing on the first floor of the Hamilton County courthouse. The base of the bust weighs exactly 12,000 pounds and the bust itself weighs 2,000 pounds, making 14,000 pounds in all. The base was removed to the courthouse yesterday and when Judge Conner was told what it weighed, he doubted if the floor of the courthouse would held that much weight and he immediately telephoned R. H. Hunt, architect of the courthouse, and was informed by him that the floor would not stand that much weight. The officials of the A. P. Stewart chapter, who have charge of the memorial, were then not. ed and until some agreement can be had the statue will have to remain on the outside where it was placed yesterday by the Bryan Transfer company.

It is the opinion of Judge Conner and Mr. Hunt that the floor on which the statue is to be placed can either be torn away and rebuilt stronger or braces can be built to fortify it. As there was no provision made for this by the resolution passed by the county court, the expense will have to be paid by the A. P. Stewart chapter. However, it is thought that the chapter will have no hesitation about assuming the expense and the floor will be placed in condition to hold the enormous hust and its bage. The statue, when placed on the first floor, would reach the celling of the second floor. It is a magnificent piece of work, migrible in construction, and was designed by Miss Belle Kinney.

DECLINES PROMOTION

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ful a civilian to hold in the army after peace and quietude have appeared on the scene of action. Private Hale has an nviable record in both the infanty and quartermaster branches of the service, involuntary awapping cheating him out of over sea duty. He is an experienced railroad telegrapher and agency man and will resume that work after a short "rest spell" with home folks.

Sergt. Griffin enjoyed a week-end pass Saturday and Sunday, spending the time pleasantly with relatives and friends in Nashville.

The prometions have been passed on at the national capital, covering all branches of the quartermaster and there are more corporals and sergents in the detachment than there are privates to obey their mandates. All are deserving, however, and congratulations are going the rounds.

The many ladies among the personnel of the detachment doing loyal and exacting work as stenographers, typists and accountants, are due many words of commendation. They have

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